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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20428

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Honorable Jack Brooks  
Chairman, Government Activities  
Subcommittee of the Committee  
on Government Operations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This has reference to your letter of November 7, 1973, to the General Services Administration concerning the sale of Air America and Southern Air Transport. By letter dated November 29, 1973, GSA referred your letter to the Board.

Air America does not hold any operating authority from the Board. However, as your letter recognizes, Southern Air Transport holds certificates of public convenience and necessity as a supplemental air carrier, and proceedings for acquisition of the control of the carrier by Mr. Stanley G. Williams are in progress before an administrative law judge of the Board. However, on December 3, 1973, the carrier filed a petition (copy enclosed) requesting the Board to cancel its certificates and other operating authority issued by the Board effective as of December 30, 1973. It also has filed a motion for leave to withdraw the application in the acquisition proceeding.

In accordance with established Board procedures, all interested persons may file comments on whether the Board should grant Southern's petition for cancellation of its certificates, and the Board will serve copies of all notices and orders which it issues with respect to this matter upon the appropriate governmental agencies.

Sincerely,

*Robert D. Timmon*  
Chairman

Enclosure

cc: ✓ Honorable William E. Colby, Director  
Central Intelligence Agency

Honorable Arthur F. Sampson  
General Services Administration

TRAN/FAA review(s) completed.